Adjunct islands:

1. Object - no adjunct
2. Object - adjunct back
3. Object - adjunct front

3 x 2 x 2 = 12 conditions

Sample sentence from Wilcox et al. 2018:

[The teacher realized]prefix [that/what]filler [the storm rolled in while]optional\_argument [[the student]subj [in the first year]mod [was studying for]verb [the test]obj [with great enthusiasm]cont]embed\_clause.

Sentence template:

Prefix + [filler] + [adjunct\_trigger + preposition/complementizer] + subj + modifier + VP + [obj gap] + continuation PP

A complete set of conditions in one item:

[-filler, -gap]

The teacher realized [that] the student in the first year was studying for the test with great enthusiasm.

The teacher realized [that] the storm rolled in while the student in the first year was studying for the test with great enthusiasm.

The teacher realized [that] while the student in the first year was studying for the test with great enthusiasm the storm rolled in.

[-filler, +gap]

The teacher realized [that] the student in the first year was studying for [ \_\_ ] with great enthusiasm.

The teacher realized [that] the storm rolled in while the student in the first year was studying for [ \_\_ ] with great enthusiasm.

The teacher realized [that] while the student in the first year was studying for [ \_\_ ] with great enthusiasm the storm rolled in.

[+filler, -gap]

The teacher realized [what] the student in the first year was studying for the test with great enthusiasm.

The teacher realized [what] the storm rolled in while the student in the first year was studying for the test with great enthusiasm.

The teacher realized [what] while the student in the first year was studying for the test with great enthusiasm the storm rolled in.

[+filler, +gap]

The teacher realized [what] the student in the first year was studying for [ \_\_ ] with great enthusiasm.

The teacher realized [what] the storm rolled in while the student in the first year was studying for [ \_\_ ] with great enthusiasm.

The teacher realized [what] while the student in the first year was studying for [ \_\_ ] with great enthusiasm the storm rolled in.

Verb: can be transitive or intransitive, one-place predicate only

Sentences:

1. [We discovered]\_prefix [that/what]\_filler [the lights went out]\_adjunct trigger [while]\_prep [the intern]\_subj [at the new office]\_mod [was preparing for]\_verb [the presentation]\_obj [with extra care]\_cont.

[-filler, -gap]

[We discovered]\_prefix [that]\_filler [the intern]\_subj [at the new office]\_mod [was preparing]\_verb [for]\_prep [the presentation]\_obj [with extra care]\_cont.

[We discovered]\_prefix [that]\_filler [the lights went out]\_adjunct trigger [while]\_prep [the intern]\_subj [at the new office]\_mod [was preparing]\_verb [for]\_prep [the presentation]\_obj [with extra care]\_cont.

[We discovered]\_prefix [that]\_filler [while]\_prep [the intern]\_subj [at the new office]\_mod [was preparing]\_verb [for]\_prep [the presentation]\_obj [with extra care]\_cont [the lights went out]\_adjunct trigger.

[-filler, +gap]

[We discovered]\_prefix [that]\_filler [the intern]\_subj [at the new office]\_mod [was preparing]\_verb [for]\_prep [\_\_]\_obj [with extra care]\_cont.

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[We discovered]\_prefix [that]\_filler [while]\_prep [the intern]\_subj [at the new office]\_mod [was preparing]\_verb [for]\_prep [\_\_]\_obj [with extra care]\_cont [the lights went out]\_adjunct trigger.

[+filler, -gap]

[We discovered]\_prefix [what]\_filler [the intern]\_subj [at the new office]\_mod [was preparing]\_verb [for]\_prep [the presentation]\_obj [with extra care]\_cont.

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[+filler, +gap]

[We discovered]\_prefix [what]\_filler [the intern]\_subj [at the new office]\_mod [was preparing]\_verb [for]\_prep [\_\_]\_obj [with extra care]\_cont.

[We discovered]\_prefix [what]\_filler [the lights went out]\_adjunct trigger [while]\_prep [the intern]\_subj [at the new office]\_mod [was preparing]\_verb [for]\_prep [\_\_]\_obj [with extra care]\_cont.

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1. [Maria realized]\_prefix [that/what]\_filler [the alarm rang loudly]\_adjunct trigger [while]\_prep [the visitor]\_subj [in the lobby]\_mod [was filling out]\_verb [the registration form]\_obj [with a shaky hand]\_cont.
2. [We found out]\_prefix [that/what]\_filler [the parade started]\_adjunct trigger [after]\_prep [the mayor]\_subj [of the city]\_mod [gave]\_verb [the opening speech]\_obj [in front of the cheering crowd]\_cont.
3. [John noticed]\_prefix [that/what]\_filler [the lights flickered]\_adjunct trigger [while]\_prep [the electrician]\_subj [on the third floor]\_mod [was repairing]\_verb [the faulty wiring]\_obj [with specialized tools]\_cont.
4. [We imagined]\_prefix [that/what]\_filler [the fireworks exploded]\_adjunct trigger [after]\_prep [the tourists]\_subj [at the harbor]\_mod [were painting]\_verb [the commemorative mural]\_obj [with bright colors]\_cont.
5. [Maria feared]\_prefix [that/what]\_filler [the lights flickered]\_adjunct trigger [while]\_prep [the visitor]\_subj [in the lobby]\_mod [was arranging]\_verb [the display cases]\_obj [with careful precision]\_cont.
6. [The child remembered]\_prefix [that/what]\_filler [the parade started]\_adjunct trigger [before]\_prep [the clowns]\_subj [on the main street]\_mod [were decorating]\_verb [the floats]\_obj [with colorful ribbons]\_cont.
7. [He wondered]\_prefix [that/what]\_filler [the sirens sounded]\_adjunct trigger [after]\_prep [the residents]\_subj [in the building]\_mod [were checking]\_verb [the fire extinguishers]\_obj [for expiration dates]\_cont.
8. [They expected]\_prefix [that/what]\_filler [the fog rolled in]\_adjunct trigger [while]\_prep [the hikers]\_subj [on the trail]\_mod [were packing]\_verb [their backpacks]\_obj [with necessary supplies]\_cont.
9. [I just learned]\_prefix [that/what]\_filler [the alarm went off]\_adjunct trigger [before]\_prep [the students]\_subj [in the dormitory]\_mod [were submitting]\_verb [their assignments]\_obj [through the online portal]\_cont.
10. [Alex guessed]\_prefix [that/what]\_filler [the birds scattered]\_adjunct trigger [while]\_prep [the children]\_subj [at the park]\_mod [were collecting]\_verb [the scattered toys]\_obj [in colorful baskets]\_cont.
11. [The coordinator predicted]\_prefix [that/what]\_filler [the rain started]\_adjunct trigger [while]\_prep [the volunteers]\_subj [at the festival]\_mod [were setting up]\_verb [the booths]\_obj [with waterproof covers]\_cont.
12. [We heard]\_prefix [that/what]\_filler [the door slammed shut]\_adjunct trigger [while]\_prep [the worker]\_subj [on the site]\_mod [was lifting]\_verb [the heavy beams]\_obj [with a hydraulic jack]\_cont.
13. [The teacher guessed]\_prefix [that/what]\_filler [the lights shut down]\_adjunct trigger [before]\_prep [the students]\_subj [in the classroom]\_mod [were reviewing]\_verb [the practice tests]\_obj [with study partners]\_cont.
14. [They suspected]\_prefix [that/what]\_filler [the sprinklers activated]\_adjunct trigger [after]\_prep [the janitor]\_subj [in the basement]\_mod [was replacing]\_verb [the old pipes]\_obj [with new fittings]\_cont.
15. [The nurse remembered]\_prefix [that/what]\_filler [the fire alarm rang]\_adjunct trigger [while]\_prep [the patients]\_subj [on the third floor]\_mod [were gathering]\_verb [their belongings]\_obj [in a hurry]\_cont.
16. [You realized]\_prefix [that/what]\_filler [the machine overheated]\_adjunct trigger [after]\_prep [the operator]\_subj [in the workshop]\_mod [was assembling]\_verb [the engine parts]\_obj [with specialized tools]\_cont.
17. [The lawyer expected]\_prefix [that/what]\_filler [the witness collapsed]\_adjunct trigger [before]\_prep [the prosecutor]\_subj [at the trial]\_mod [was questioning]\_verb [the defendant]\_obj [in front of the jury]\_cont.
18. [The detective predicted]\_prefix [that/what]\_filler [the suspect fled]\_adjunct trigger [while]\_prep [the officers]\_subj [at the checkpoint]\_mod [were inspecting]\_verb [the vehicle]\_obj [with trained dogs]\_cont.
19. [The student remembered]\_prefix [that/what]\_filler [the exam started]\_adjunct trigger [after]\_prep [the professor]\_subj [in the lecture hall]\_mod [was distributing]\_verb [the answer sheets]\_obj [with careful instructions]\_cont.